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Greetings from the Governor
July 18, 2007

I am delighted to extend warm greetings to all of those attending the Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) 50th Anniversary Kick-Off Celebration.

Charged with both resource protection and land management, DNR shoulders broad responsibilities, ranging from administering the state Federal Practices Board rules and serving as Washington's largest on-call fire department to collecting information on native ecosystems and species through the Natural Heritage Program and overseeing stewardship of approximately 5.6 million acres of land.

For fifty years, the health and sustainability of our public lands has rested in the hands of DNR and its many partners. For fifty years, DNR has led the way through insightful leadership and commitment to excellence. Because of this leadership, all Washingtonians will be able to enjoy the beauty and diversity of our natural resources forever.

Thank you for your hard work and dedication, and please accept my best wishes for a memorable afternoon of celebration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chris Gregoire".

Christine O. Gregoire
Governor

